REMARKS

Claims 1 through 45 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 12, 26 and 34 are currently amended to remove multiple dependencies in order to reduce filing costs. Claims 1, 6, 16 and 23 were previously amended during the International Phase by an Article 34 Amendment. In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750, under Order No. 6550-000086/US/NPB from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted

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